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1. Considerable military installations are being built east of the Czech town of Dauba. North of the villages of Bösing <sup>/sig/</sup> and Woken an area of 50 square km has been taken over for the purpose. When complete the area will represent the largest military camp in Czechoslovakia, and near it will be a large exercise area.
2. Down to the present there have been completed: a large tank exercise area, with obstacles; a training area for drivers of armored cars, cross-country cars and S/P guns; a target range for tanks and S/P guns; an exercise area for infantry with heavy obstacles. Numerous command buildings, kitchens, depots and repair shops are either complete or under construction.
3. An airfield is also being built, with a central food depot, a munitions magazine for all types of arms that will use the area, and a fuel dump.
4. A number of the buildings were already completed in the summer of 1953 and were turned over to the troops. The first trials showed that the terrain had been well chosen. There are water obstacles, marshes, hills and everything else needed.
5. Work is in the hands of the Central Office for Fortification. The group in charge consists of technical officers of the Czechoslovak Army, representatives of the Building Ministry, the Central Office for Fortification and a commission of Soviet officers.

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6. Workers on the project consist of five labor battalions of the army, about 4,000 men altogether, who made roads, cut down trees and undertook other similar tasks; four regular engineer battalions; and labor groups from the various state trusts. There is a guard company

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7. Work will be complete by summer 1954.

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